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Dear Ms Gillies

Police Scotland - Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (RPAS) Evaluation Report

I refer to your letter of 26 November 2020, addressed to Dr Elizabeth Aston and copied to the Chief Constable, in which concerns were raised relating to the recent evaluation of the use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft System (drones) by Police Scotland.

I thought it would be of assistance to send you a copy of the Police Scotland response to the Chair of the Justice Sub Committee, who also raised a number of similar concerns in respect of the evaluation.

This letter details the future activity which will be undertaken to address the concerns raised and demonstrate the commitment of Police Scotland to ensuring any public interest issues arising from the use of RPAS are carefully considered and addressed.

I trust this addresses your queries and provides some reassurance but please do not hesitate to contact me if you require anything further.

Yours sincerely



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